



### UPDATE ON CARES ACT FUNDING

Senate Ways & Means Committee January 26, 2021

# Presenters

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Deputy Secretary

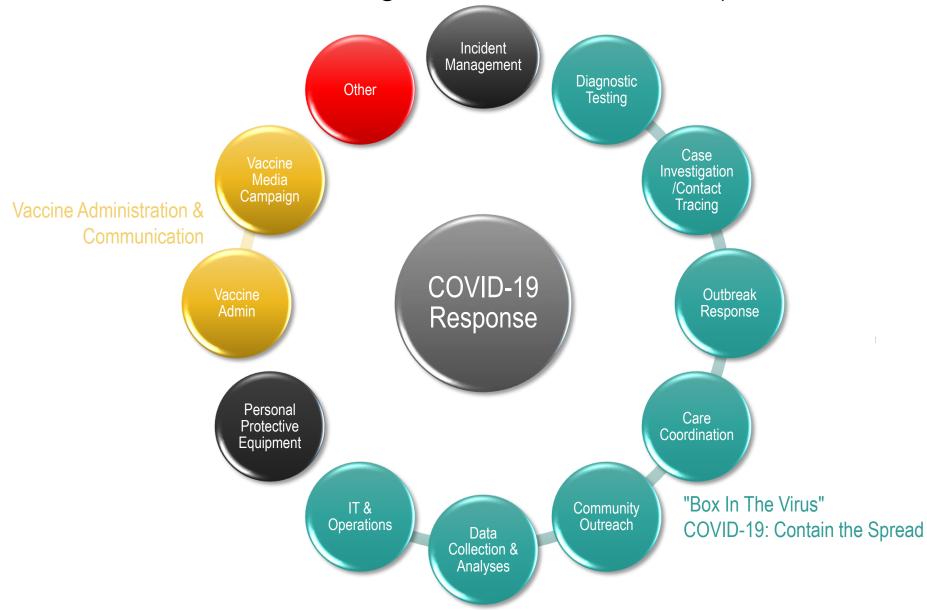
**COVID Response** 

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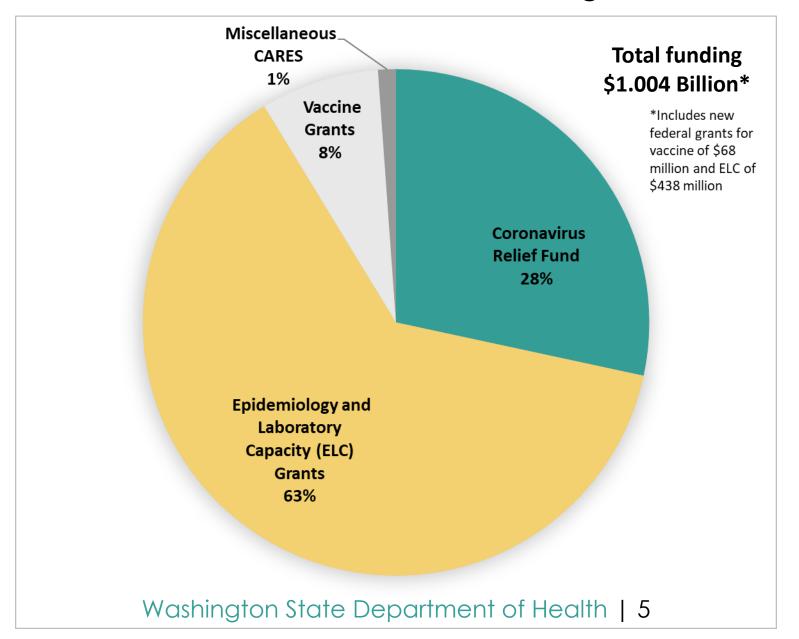
#### "Universe" of Washington State's COVID-19 Response



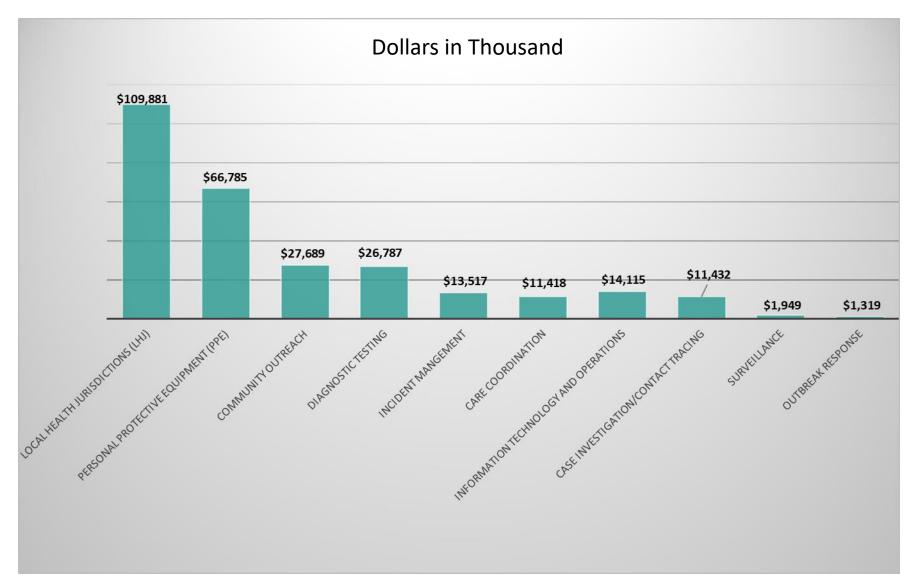
### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

- Health messaging
  - 81% report wearing masks
  - 67% report maintaining 6 feet distance
- >4.47M molecular tests
  - Current turnaround time: Median 1.5 days, Mean 2.1 days
- >1.6M Washingtonians use WA Notify
  - 29 languages
- >100,000 individual cases and contacts reached by DOH contact tracers
- >3800 people have received care coordination services
- >500,000 doses of vaccine administered

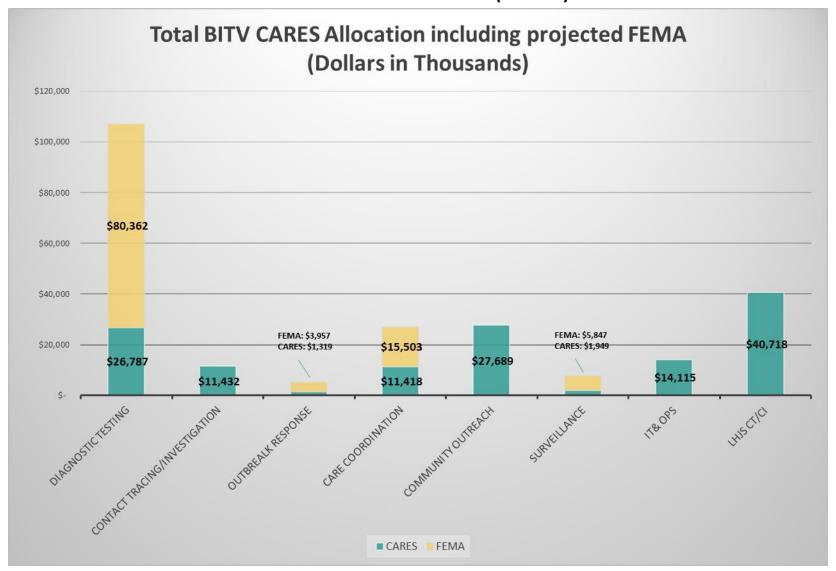
# Federal CARES Act Funding



### Federal CARES Coronavirus Relief Funds



# Box in the Virus (BITV)



# Funding Challenges

- Funding from the federal CRF for the response was initially available short term
- Lack of adequate federal funding to support the response costs for the public health system longer term
- Without access to longer term funding, acquiring the necessary resources is difficult
- Slow rollout of vaccine funding and guidance as well as continual changes in allocation of vaccines.

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